

## Listing of the Claims:

The following is a complete listing of all the claims in the application, with an indication of the status of each:

1 - 29. (Canceled)

- 1     30. (Currently Amended) A method for providing entity valuation data  
2     for financial instruments, comprising:  
3         receiving, at a reference data provider, an information data  
4     stream generated from each of a given plurality of entity valuation  
5     information vendors, each information data stream identifying the  
6     generating entity valuation information vendor and stated monetary  
7     value of at least one subject entity which is a financial instrument;  
8         receiving a service arrangement data identifying an authorized  
9     information vendor list for each of a plurality of customers, said  
10    authorized information vendor list identifying entity valuation information  
11    vendors from among said plurality of entity valuation information  
12    vendors to which the customer has a given authorization to receive said  
13    vendor information data stream;  
14         storing said service arrangement data at said reference data  
15    provider;  
16         storing, at said reference data provider, a default rule for each of  
17    said customers, said default rule based at least in part on the customer  
18    stored service arrangement data, said default rule specifying an  
19    algorithm for generating a Best Known Value Available (*BKVA*) of a  
20    given subject entity;  
21         computer-implemented generating, for at least one given subject  
22    entity, a best known value data (*BKV*), based on a collection of all of  
23    said entity valuation information vendor respective information data  
24    streams that include the respective vendor stated monetary value of  
25    said subject entity;  
26         computer-implemented forming a set *H* of all of said entity  
27    valuation information vendors whose generated information data stream

28 includes the generating vendor stated monetary value of said subject  
29 entity;  
30 computer-implemented generating for each of at least one of  
31 said customers, for said at least one given subject entity, a customer-  
32 specific BKVA, wherein said generating compares said customer  
33 authorized vendor list to said set *H* and sets said customer's customer-  
34 specific BKVA of the subject entity to be said BKV if at least one of the  
35 vendors identified by the customer authorized vendor list is within set  
36 *H*, else sets said customer customer-specific BKVA of the subject  
37 entity in accordance with said default rule stored for said customer,  
38 wherein said setting includes applying said default rule algorithm to the  
39 information data stream of at least one of the entity valuation  
40 information vendor identified by the customer authorized vendor list,  
41 the generating of the customer-specific BKVA being performed without  
42 knowledge of the data supplied by vendors to which the customer for  
43 which the customer-specific BKVA is generated does not subscribe;  
44 and  
45 transmitting to each of at least one of said customers the  
46 customer-specific BKVA of the subject entity;  
47 while ensuring that no customer is aware of, has access to, or  
48 otherwise benefits from a vendor data content unsubscribed for that  
customer.